

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendment and the following remarks.

Claims 1-17 were pending in this application. In the Office Action:

- Claims 1-10 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter.
- Claims 11-17 have been allowed.

In this Amendment, claims 1-10 have been amended to address matters of form. This Amendment is believed not to introduce new matter and its entry is respectfully requested.

Accordingly, upon entry of this Amendment, claims 1-17 will be pending.

Rejection of Claims 1-10 under 35 U.S.C. § 101

Claim 1 has been amended to recite a frequency hopping digital communications system having a transmitter and receiver as recited therein. Claim 10 has been amended to recite a frequency hopping digital communications system having a receiver as recited therein.

Applicant respectfully submits that claim 1, and its dependent claims, and claim 10 are directed to statutory subject matter, *i.e.*, a machine. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection of claims 1-10 under 35 U.S.C. § 101 be reconsidered and withdrawn.

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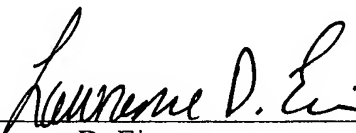
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In view of the foregoing, all of the claims pending in this case are believed to be in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner have any questions or determine that any further action is desirable to place this application in even better condition for issue, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone applicant's undersigned representative at the number listed below.

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